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## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	24313	Agenda Number	46.
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Meeting Date:	May 23, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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## Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month service contract with GC3 SPECIALTY CHEMICALS, INC., for the purchase of chemical treatment services for water systems at various Austin Water Utility locations in an estimated amount not to exceed \$30,960, with one 24-month extension option in an estimated amount not to exceed \$30,960, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$61,920.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$5,160 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining twenty months of the original contract period and extension option is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Gage Loots, Senior Buyer /512-972-4009
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Boards and Commission Action:	May 8, 2013: Unanimously approved by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 7 – 0 vote. Recommendation 20130508-D3.
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MBE / WBE:	
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Related Items:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.
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## Additional Backup Information

This contract is to provide water treatment services for chiller and hot water circuits at various Austin Water Utility locations. These locations include Waller Creek Center, Webberville Service Center, Ullrich Water Treatment Plant, Hornsby Bend Bio-Solid Management Plant, Walnut Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant, North Service Center and East Service Center. The contractor will chemically treat chillers, pumps, distribution systems, piping and other associated equipment that compose the circuits to maintain the equipment at peak efficiency while achieving minimal corrosion. The contractor will be responsible for supplying all chemicals and treatment services, including laboratory analysis, reporting, and optimization of chemical levels to achieve the specified characteristics in the circuits. The water to be treated under this contract is used in equipment processes, not as a potable output.

MBE/WBE solicited: 10/10

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**BID TABULATION**

IFB No. GAL0045

Water Treatment Program

(7 – line items)

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Total Bid Amount □ 12 months</u></b>
GC <sup>3</sup> Specialty Chemicals, Inc. Houston, TX	\$15,480.00
Fort Bend Services, Inc. Stafford, TX	\$16,497.00
Nalco Company San Antonio, TX	\$28,533.60

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Three-hundred fifty-six notices were sent, including ten MBEs and ten WBEs. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBE.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 2.5% decrease to the last contract award made September 2008.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid. GC<sup>3</sup> Specialty Chemicals, Inc. is not the current provider of these services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.